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FOLLOWING DOHA 0205 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO AMMAN ABU DHABI
CAIRO DAMASCUS JIDDA KUWAIT FEB 16; REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

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TAGS: EAID, EG, QA

SUBJECT: ARAB AID TO EGYPT: REPORTED NEW \$1 BILLION EMERGENCY
FUND

1. DURING FEB 15 CONVERSATION, I ASKED AMIR OF QATAR, SHAYKH
KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI, ABOUT POSSIBLE NEW AID FROM GULF
STATES TO EGYPT IN WAKE OF RECENT RIOTS. KHALIFA RESPONDED THAT HE
HAD DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT WITH PRINCE FAHD DURING HIS FEB 10
VISIT TO RIYADH, AND THAT A QATARI DELEGATION WAS PRESENTLY
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IN RIYADH FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON SUBJECT.

2. ACCORDING TO AMIR, POTENTIAL DONORS SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT,
UAE AND QATAR WERE TALKING IN TERMS OF "NEW EMERGENCY TYPE"
ONE BILLION DOLLAR FUND. AMIR SAID THAT DETAILS HAD NOT YET BEEN
WORKED OUT RE WHETHER THIS WOULD BE ONE-SHOT DONATION OR RENEWABLE
LOAN. HE ALSO SAID THAT THERE HAD BEEN SUGGESTION THAT NEW

FUNDS BE CHanneled THROUGH IMF. ACCORDING KHALIFA, MODALITIES, ETC., BEING WORKED ON AT CURRENT RIYADH MEETING.

3. RE PREVIOUS GOQ AID TO GOE, KHALIFA CONFIRMED QATARI SHARE OF \$1.5 BILLION PLEDGED LAST SPRING DURING SADAT TOUR OF GULF WAS \$70 MILLION.

4. AMIR WENT THROUGH HIS USUAL ROUTINE THAT UNLESS SADAT SAVED ALL IN AREA WILL LIKEWISE PERISH. I TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO OUT-LINE CURRENT U.S. AID TO EGYPT, DRAWING ON STATE 032112, NOTING THAT CONTINUED FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE ON PART OF RICH ARABS NECESSARY AS JUSTIFYING FACTOR FOR U.S. EFFORTS. AMIR ACKNOWLEDGED POINT, AND REITERATED HIS VIEW THAT SADAT'S SURVIVAL KEY TO MIDEAST PEACE AND AREA STABILITY. PAGANELLI UNQUOTE HARTMAN

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